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ATTENTION: LELAND SNOW/DOL

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SUBJECT: DOL SEMINAR

1. EMBASSY OFFICERS MET WITH CONCERNED OFFICIALS OF THE POLISH LABOR MINISTRY AND THE INSTITUTE OF WORKER SAFTY ON JULY 22 FOR DISCUSSION OF DOL'S PROPOSED 1976 SEMINAR SCHEDULE AND RELATED QUESTIONS. THE POLES AGREED TO THE REVISED DATES AND, WITH THE AIM OF COVERING WHAT THEY CONSIDER TO BE KEY TOPICS WITHIN FOUR RATHER THAN FIVE DAYS OF FORMAL PRESENTATION, SUGGESTED A SLIGHTLY REVISED AGENDA, A ROUGH TRANSLATION OF WHICH FOLLOWS, AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, A LONG LUNCH BREAK HAS BEEN INCLUDED TO ACCOMMODATE THE POLISH CUSTOM OF A MAJOR MEAL AT MIDDAY.

FIRST DAY (SEPTEMBER 20)

0900 OPENING OF SEMINAR

0915-1100 PRESENTATION: "SAFTY IN INTERNAL TRANSPORT"

1100-1130 CONVEYOR EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS FILM

"INTERNAL TRANSPORT"

1130-1500 LUNCH BREAK

1500-1700 PRESENTATION: "SAFTY IN THE USE OF
VARIOUS TYPES OF CONVEYORS"

SECOND DAY (SEPTEMBER 21)

0900-1100 PRESENTATION: "SAFTY STANDARDS IN THE

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AREA OF INTERNAL TRANSPORT"

1100-1130 COFFEE BREAK
1130-1300 DISCUSSION
1300-1500 LUNCH BREAK
1500-1700 PRESENTATION: "ANSI STANDARD 20.1-76:
SAFETY STANDARDS FOR CONVEYORS AND
RELATED EQUIPMENT"
1700-1800 DISCUSSION

THIRD DAY (SEPTEMBER 22)

0900-1100 PRESENTATION: "SAFETY EQUIPMENT IN
INTERNAL TRANSPORT"
1100-1130 COFFEE BREAK
1130-1300 DISCUSSION
1300-1500 LUNCH BREAK
1500-1700 DISCUSSION BY PRODUCERS ON THE
SUBJECT OF CONVEYOR SYSTEMS
1700-1800 DISCUSSION

FOURTH DAY (SEPTEMBER 23)

0900-1100 PRESENTATION: "TRAINING IN THE FIELD
OF SAFETY IN INTERNAL TRANSPORT"
DISCUSSION
1100-1130 COFFEE BREAK
1130-1300 PRESENTATION: "WORKER AND MANAGEMENT
REACTION TO SAFETY PROGRAMS IN THE
STEEL INDUSTRY, THE FOUNDRY INDUSTRY, THE
AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY, AND THE WAREHOUSE INDUSTRY"
DISCUSSION
1300-1500 LUNCH BREAK
1500-1700 OBSERVATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS OF THE
AMERICAN PARTICIPANTS CONCERNING
THEIR VISITS TO POLISH INDUSTRIAL
ENTERPRISES
1700 DISCUSSION. SUMMATION AND CONCLUSION
OF THE SEMINAR.

2. IF ONE OF THE DOL PARTICIPANTS IS QUALIFIED, THE POLES WOULD ALSO
APPRECIATE DISCUSSION OF METHODS OF TESTING WORKERS PSYCHOLO-
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GICALLY AND PHYSIOLOGICALLY TO DETERMINE THEIR SUITAB-
ILITY BEFORE THEY ARE PUT TO WORK IN THE FIELD OF INTERNAL TRANSPORT.

3. THERE WILL BE A TOTAL OF ABOUT 1TP PARTICIPANTS BUT DAILY AT-
TENDANCE IS EXPECTED TO BE 50-60. INVITATIONS HAVE ALREADY BEEN
SENT OUT WITH A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEMINAR TO DESIGNERS,
SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS, TRADE UNIONS, MINISTRIES DEALING WITH

APPROPRIATE INDUSTRIAL SECTORS, HIGHER TECHNICAL SCHOOLS AND TO ABOUT TWENTY LARGE INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES. ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL HAVE HIGHER EDUCATION AND THEY WILL INCLUDE MANAGEMENT, SCIENTIFIC, AND DESIGN PERSONNEL, AS WELL AS PSYCHOLOGISTS.

4. THE POLES EXPECT RESPONSES TO THEIR INVITATIONS BY THE END OF AUGUST.

5. THE POLES WANT THE AMERICAN SIDE TO PROVIDE SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION EQUIPMENT SUITABLE FOR 50-60 PERSONS AND ALSO TO FURNISH PROJECTORS AND OPERATORS. THE AMERICAN SIDE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ARRANGING THE PAYING FOR PARTICIPANTS' ACCOMMODATIONS AND MEALS WHILE IN WARSAW AND, ACCORDING TO AGREEMENT REACHED WITH MR. SNOW, ALSO FOR PAYING THE SALARY OF THE TWO SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETERS.

6 THE POLES FOR THEIR PART WILL PAY ALL ADDITIONAL ORGANIZATIONAL COSTS AND ALL EXPENSES DURING THE TIME WHEN THE PARTICIPANTS ARE VISITING INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES. THEY WOULD LIKE CONFIRMATION THAT DOL AGREES.

7. THE POLES ARE ALLOWING TWO AND A HALF DAYS FOR PLANT VISITS (THURSDAY, FRIDAY, AND SATURDAY MORNING) AND ARE MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR INSPECTION OF ENTERPRISES IN VARIOUS BRANCHES OF INDUSTRY IN THE KRAKOW/SILESIA AREA. CULTURAL AND TOURISTIC ACTIVITIES ARE BEING SCHEDULED IN KRAKOW FOR SATURDAY AFTERNOON AND EVENING AND THE GROUP WILL RETURN TO WARSAW ON SUNDAY.

8. ON THE BASIS OF EXPERIENCE WITH EARLIER SEMINARS, THE POLES WOULD LIKE TO PUBLISH THE RESULTS OF THE SEMINAR AND ASK WHETHER, BEFORE IT BEGINS, THEY MAY HAVE SUMMARY TEXTS OF THE PRESENTATIONS ALONG WITH COPIES OF ANY APPROPRIATE PHOTOGRAPHS AND GRAPHICS.

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9. BECAUSE OF TIME FACTOR, WE WOULD APPRECIATE DOL COMMENTS ON ABOVE POINTS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

10. MR. JACK GALBRAITH, SECOND SECRETARY, HAS TAKEN OVER THE EMBASSY'S SEMINAR RESPONSIBILITIES FROM MR. ATHERTON NOYES III, WHO DEPARTED WARSAW MID-JULY.
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